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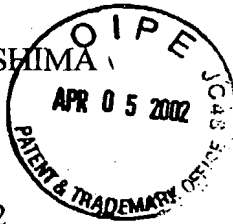
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For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR WATERPROOFING A WIRE  
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Examiner :



INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98,

Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

~~Japanese Patent Publication No. 2000-48649, to Takahiro SAITO, published on~~

~~February 18, 2000;~~

~~Japanese Patent Publication No. 2000-114746, to Hiroshi WATANABE, published~~

~~on April 21, 2000;~~

~~U.S. Patent No. 5,536,904 to Kenji KOJIMA et al., issued July 16, 1996;~~

~~U.S. Patent No. 5,635,678 to Jun YASUKUNI, issued June 3, 1997; and~~

~~U.S. Patent No. 5,641,942 to Minoru IRIYAMA et al., issued June 24, 1997.~~

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider all of the above materials  
and cite the U.S. and Japanese patent documents. Copies of the U.S. Patents and

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